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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, it is respectfully requested that the references listed in the attached form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-identified application. A copy of each reference is attached hereto.

The citation of the listed items is not a representation that they constitute a complete or exhaustive listing of the relevant art or that the references are prior art. The items listed are submitted in good faith, but are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of these particular items, they will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

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The listed items were cited by the European Patent Office in a counterpart application, namely Appln. No. 03027784.2. A copy of the European Search Report dated March 10, 2004 is attached hereto.

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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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